

QSL - QSO Cards with perfin

John Lyding (L116)

me. *The Catalog of the United States Perfin* lists the pattern's user as Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company of Los Angeles, California. While both Los Angeles and San Francisco are in California,

the cities are located a considerable distance apart. How did the stamp make the trip from San Francisco to Los Angeles.

The second card is a QSO (i.e., request for a confirmation of amateur radio contact) between operators in Seattle, Washington, USA and the same amateur in England. The postage was paid with a 3¢ Washington stamp punched with perfin pattern B145. This pattern "BK/CAL" is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfin* as being used by The Bank of California in San Francisco. While both cities are on the west coast of the United States there is considerable distance between the two states. One must wonder how the stamp made the trip up the coast only to be used as overseas postage in September of 1939.

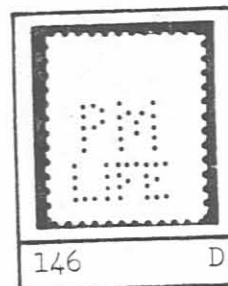
My thanks to S. Shayler of Skipton, England who provided the photocopies.

Note: The QSO card is illustrated on the top of page 56.

Handwritten notes on the left side of the page, including "QSL - QSO Cards with perfin" and "John Lyding (L116)".



S. Roberts
Moor View
Belmont Grove
Rawdon, near Leeds
Yorkshire, England



W6EEP

2841 SOUTH WEST VIEW ST., LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A.

W
A
C

To Radio G.6.Q.S.....
This confirms our two-way radio
communication of April 30, 1938
OPS: ARCH AND DOROTHY MEYER

W
B
E

This first card QSLs (i.e., confirms two-way radio communications between amateurs radio operators) in Los Angeles, California, USA and Rawdon, near Leeds; Yorkshire, England on April 30, 1938. This is apparently a private use of perfin P146 "PM/LIFE". This is a difficult pattern to make out and in fact it had been misidentified as "PM/UFE" in pencil on the back of the photocopy provided to

Communication of August 2:

Radio *G6Q5*

S. Roberts,

Moore View, Belmont Grove,

416 E. 43rd St.

U. S. A.

Seattle, Wash.

W7HBL

The last time we qso'd 57-8 Loudest Q I ever

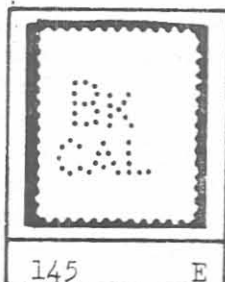
Radio *G6Q5* confirming our QSO of *2300* P.S.T.

August 2 1939 Ur Sigs RST *579XQSA* R Freq. *14 mc*

Xmtr *6V6-6L6-809* 100w Rcvr *SW-3* Ant *133 ft Zepp*

Tnx Om for QSO Pse QSL *Hpe evagn* Vy 73 *Ivor James, op.*

We have
qso twice
Havent gotten
ur card.

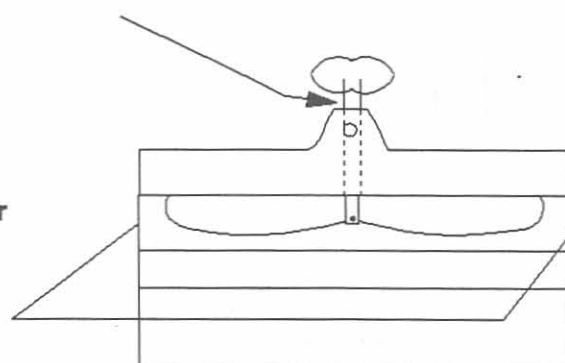
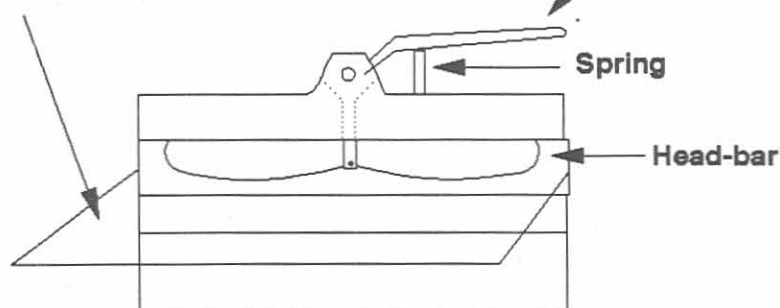


Proof of the M242 - M253 10-head device

William C. Allen (#629)

Sheet of stamps pushed in on this shelf

This handle was removed
and a new piston inserted



Hand operated device

Shown down the left hand side
of this page is a proof of the M242

Converted to power operation

M243 10-head device. The missing "M's" and a
couple of "S's" are due to the fact that I had to